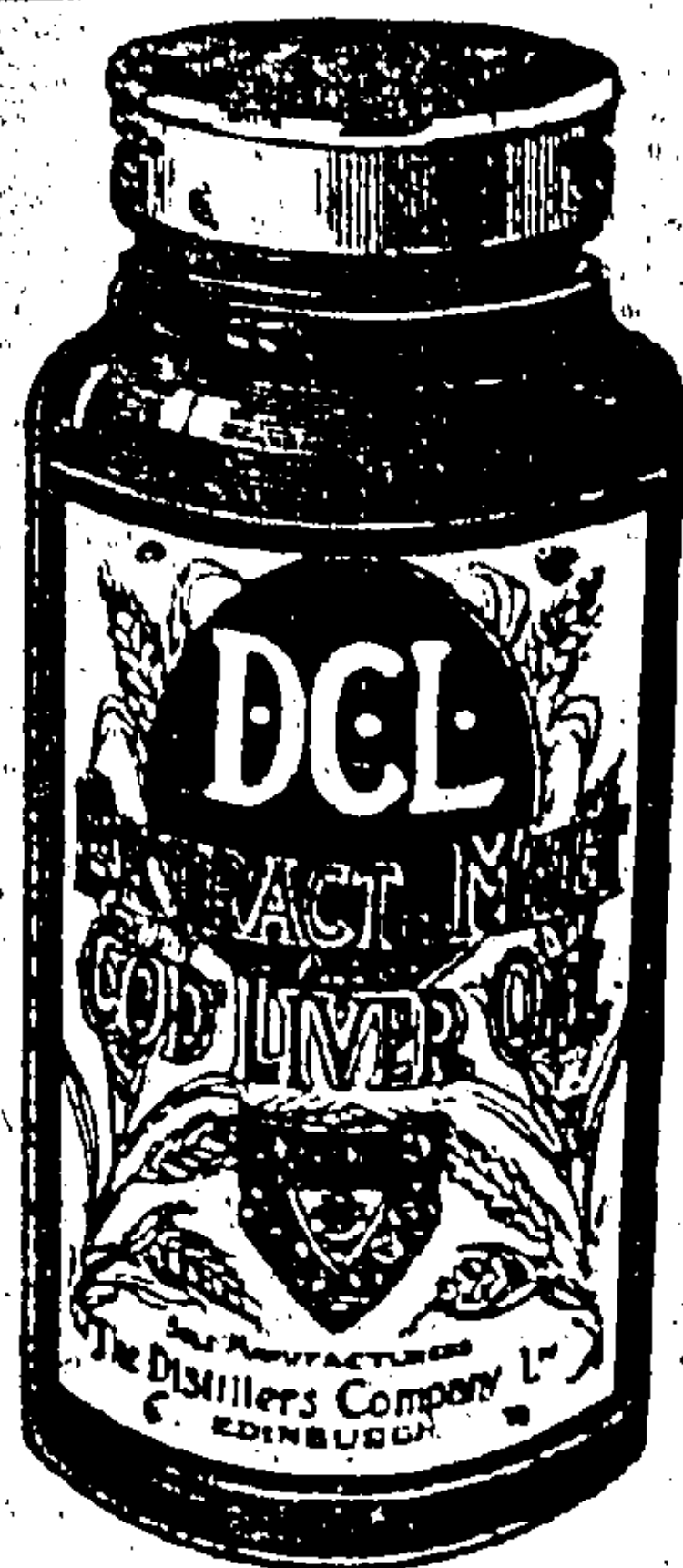




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LADY GOSFORD IN CHINA.

THE ARISTOCRACY IN GREAT BRITAIN.

HOW IT FITS IN THE SCHEME OF ENGLISH LIFE.

The Earl of Gosford, accompanied by his mother, the Dowager Countess of Gosford, is now in Peking on a visit. He is associated with the British American Tobacco Company and is, of course, well known to many residents in Hongkong where he was stationed for some time when the Company's head offices for China were first transferred from Shanghai to this Colony four or five years ago. In those days the Earl had not come into the title and was Viscount Aitchison. At the beginning of the strike and boycott, it will be remembered, he initiated the debate on the subject of British interests in South China in the House of Lords.

The following account of an interview with the Dowager Countess by a representative of the *North-China Daily News*, is interesting:—

The Dowager Countess of Gosford, who has just come to China, presented a serious problem to the interviewer, until he had the good fortune to be presented to her. He imagined that a Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Alexandra, a daughter of the famous Duchess of Devonshire, might be a formidable personage and altogether unwilling perhaps to talk for publication. Instead he was delighted by a charming personality as interested as interesting, keen over the adventure of a visit to old China at a time such as this. Lady Gosford, whose son, the Earl of Gosford, is connected with the B.A.T., is to spend some time in Peking and although she would say nothing about politics, which, like so many English ladies, she pretends not to understand, she asked so many questions that the reporter wondered which was the interviewer. And the questions in themselves were a mark of how much one can really know about a place without being willing to admit more than a novice's acquaintance.

"I have never had the experience of an interview," Lady Gosford said. "It is not the sort of thing we do, because we do not pretend to be anything or to know very much. The English aristocracy is one of the most leveling of influences. We are just plain people who take a pride in our country but never think of talking about ourselves. When you ask me what I think and about myself, you rather put me in an awkward position, for why should what I think matter much? The old families in England were always impersonal. The English aristocracy has never been proud or domineering. They have never driven things to a crisis. They have never been oppressive. The result is that even today, when some people would say that there is so much radicalism in Britain, we are really very good friends, those of us who are called the upper classes, if you like the word, and the rest of the people. We really all like each other."

LABOUR'S PLEASANT DISCOVERY.

"The war has, of course, made its changes. There are no longer the social centres to which anyone wanted to go. Very few of the great houses remain, as we can afford to pay the taxes. There are other social and political circles, but more and more, the groups are becoming smaller and the entertainment less lavish. We were all quite miserable to have to part with the houses of centuries, with the art treasures which were really more our furnishings than collections, but the British aristocracy does not resist forcibly, because of its great sense of justice. The Government has found it necessary to take a certain step, and as much as it may hurt our sentiments we always bow our heads to whichever Government may be chosen. A peer has only one vote just as a commoner only has one vote."

"That is what the Labour Party discovered when they came into power. They thought that the permanent under-secretaries of the various Government Departments would do something to spoil their administration. But when the Labourites were in power, they found that the permanent under-secretaries and others worked just as hard and just as disinterestedly as they might have done under a Conservative Government. There is never a thought of party in such matters. The Labourites had another experience. When Mr. Brown and Mrs. Brown (Mr. Brown was a miner) were sent into Scotland to represent the King and Queen, they found that everyone was respectful to and welcomed them. They carried out their duties in the most dignified manner, worthy of the honour shown them. That is the levelling force of the British aristocracy."

BOLSHEVISM'S POOR CHANCE.

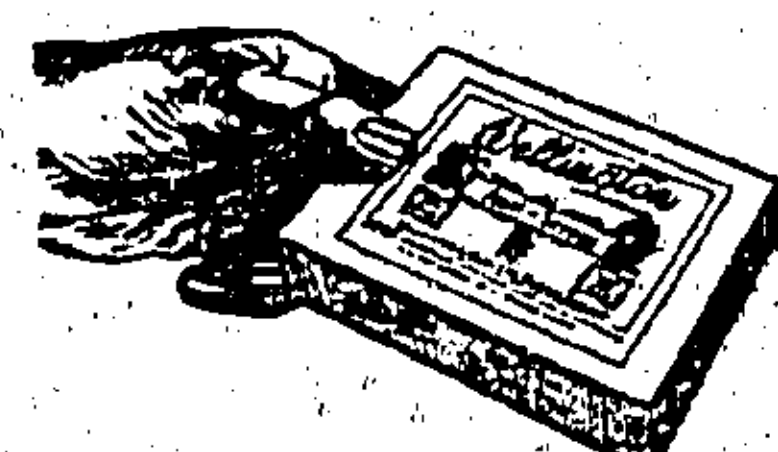
"It is not likely that England will ever go Bolshevik because the people and the aristocracy really like each other and in the country have done so much for each other. Many of the large estates are being sold to the former tenants, but it is doubtful whether the tenants are really better off. Some are finding it very difficult to make ends meet, while before they were comfortably off. But such matters will in time adjust themselves."

Lady Gosford did not really talk for publication but gave way before the persistence of the reporter, who thought that so many in Shanghai, who had never been to Britain, would be interested.

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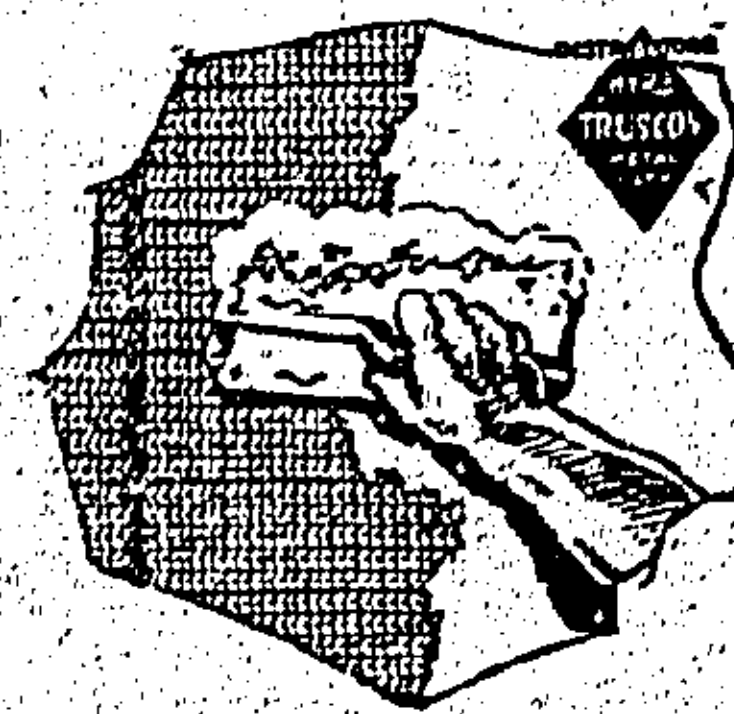
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Senhor Bianchi, who has been long associated with the Portuguese Embassy in London, has just recently arrived in Peking. And still more recent has been the arrival of Colonel Maia Magalhaes, the new Governor of Macao. During his few days' stay in Hongkong en route for Macao to assume the reins of government in the neighbouring colony, Colonel Magalhaes created an impression as favourable with the British community as with his nationals who had an opportunity of seeing more of our distinguished visitor on the occasions of the receptions arranged in his honour.

His Excellency Manuel Firmino d'Almeida Maia Magalhaes, to give the Governor's full name, holds the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Staff Corps, he graduated from the Military College in 1901, was promoted captain in 1912 and was appointed Professor of the School of War in Lisbon. In the same year he was selected to proceed to England to be present at the military manoeuvres as delegate of the Ministry of War. In 1914, during the Great War, he was appointed Chief of Staff of the expedition to South Angola. He held a post, in 1916, in the Staff Corps of the troops under training to proceed to France. He attained the rank of Major in 1917 in France and was chief of one of the missions attached to the first British Army. The conclusion of the War in 1919 found him Chief of Staff of the Third Army Division in Oporto.

In the same year (1919) Senhor Magalhaes was appointed Governor of the Cape Verde Islands. Three years later he returned to the Portuguese capital and held the position of Chief of Staff of the Republican National Guard. At the same time he became chief of the Cabinet of the Ministry of War. During the years 1923 and 1924 he was chief of staff of the First Division of the Army in Lisbon.

There have been conferred on Governor Magalhaes, on different occasions, for signal services rendered the following decorations:—Legion of Honour, Crown of Belgium, Spanish Military Merit, Croix de Guerre (1st class), Military Valour, Medals of the African and French Campaigns, Victory Medal, Gold Medal for Good Services, and Knight Commanders of the Portuguese Orders of Aviz, Christ, and St. Tiago.

PIANO RECITAL.

MR. ORE AT CITY HALL.

Mr. Harry Ore, the well-known pianist, gave a piano recital at the City Hall last evening, and was ably assisted by Mrs. Richard Sanger who contributed several songs.

There was a large attendance of musical enthusiasts and there was no doubt about their thorough enjoyment and appreciation of the excellent programme provided. Mr. Ore is a brilliant player with a widely recognised and deservedly high reputation, but even so his clear phrasing in Beethoven's 2nd Sonata, with its varied themes was astonishing.

Mrs. Sanger has a sweet soprano voice, of wide range and variation. Her intonation is also very clear.

The programme was as under:—

PART I.
Sonata, c-minor, op. 111 Beethoven.
(a) Maestoso—Allegro con brio ed appassionato.
(b) Arietta: Adagio Chopin.
Without Interval.

Songs.
(a) Autumn Rob. Franz.
(b) Moonlight Rob. Schumann.
(c) Mrs. RICHARD SANGER.
(a) Five Preludes (Nos. 1, 3, 9, 10, 22)
(b) Nocturne c sharp minor
(c) Eccossaise d major
(d) Polonaise a major

PART II.
Ballade g minor Chopin.
Songs
(a) The forsaken maiden Hugo Wolf.
(b) Hopak Moussorgsky.
* Ukrainian peasant dance.

Mrs. RICHARD SANGER.
(a) Cavotte Balfour Gardiner.
(b) The snow is dancing Debussy.
(c) Serenade Bordin.
(d) "Folkha verde," Portuguese
Folk-song H. Ore.
(e) The song of the waves Witthol.
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WEATHER REPORT.

The following weather report was issued by the Hongkong Observatory at 4.30 p.m. yesterday.—Pressure changes are slight, the anticyclone remaining stationary. Moderate monsoon will continue over the northern China Sea.

LOCAL WEDDING.

WATT—PIRIE.

The members of the Scottish community of Hongkong were present in large numbers in the Union Church, Kennedy Road, yesterday afternoon, on the occasion of the marriage of Senior Revenue Officer G. Watt, son of Mr. Andrew Watt, Ryth House and late of Little Erick, Mand. Aberdeenshire, and Miss Margaret Milne Pirie, daughter of Mr. James Pirie, Arlington House, Mand. Aberdeenshire.

The marriage service was conducted by the Rev. J. Horace Johnston, B.A.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Mr. A. K. Taylor, was charmingly groomed in cream satin chamoisee, with a wreath of orange blossoms and white heather. She carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums and white heather. The bridesmaids were the Misses Beatrice May and Mary Agnes Taylor (nieces of the bridegroom). They were daintily attired in helio and pink georgette, and carried bouquets of pink roses and helio lilies.

Mr. Stewart Logan was "best man." After the ceremony a "Scottish" reception was held at the Victoria Recreation Club, where the arrival of the bride and bridegroom was heralded by the pipers in Highland dress, Messrs. T. Tolan and J. Walstead who played "I lo nae lassie but ain."

The Rev. J. Horace Johnston proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom, and the toast was heartily drunk. The bridegroom proposed the health of the bridesmaids and Mr. A. K. Taylor called for a toast for absent relatives and friends.

There were about a hundred guests present, amongst whom were the bridegroom's colleagues in the Revenue Department, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor (sister and brother-in-law), Inspector Watt (brother), Mr. Lloyd, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant-Supt., Assistant-Supt. of Police, Grant, Mr. W. Hill, Mr. E. Wylie, Mr. P. W. Ramsey, and many others.

Dinner was served at 8 p.m., after which there was a dancing and the singing of Scottish melodies.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay. The bride's going away costume was of beige marocain.

The happy couple were the recipients of many useful and costly presents.

OBITUARY.

MR. THOMAS NEAVE.

25 YEARS' SERVICE WITH H.K.
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After an illness which lasted for some considerable time, the death occurred at Colwyn Bay, North Wales, on November 1st, of Mr. Thomas Neave, formerly Superintendent Engineer of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company. He was about 57 years of age.

Mr. Neave, who had been in the employ of the Dock Company for 25 years, left Hongkong for Home in April last, ill-health causing him to retire. He was accompanied by Mrs. Neave and his 14-year-old son.

A Dundee man, Mr. Neave worked in the Tyneside district before coming out to Hongkong. Mr. Neave is survived by his wife, son and three daughters, two of whom are married, one being Mrs. Bailton, wife of Mr. N. L. H. Bailton, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Hongkong, and the other Mrs. Wilkie, wife of Mr. P. W. Wilkie, of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, Shanghai. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie, who are on Home leave, are also staying at Colwyn Bay.

ITALIAN OPERA.

"RIGOLETTO" PRESENTED AT
THEATRE ROYAL.

For the second night of their season here, the Gonzalez Italian Grand Opera Company presented Verdi's "Rigoletto" at the Theatre Royal, and recorded another big success.

A powerful work from beginning to end, "Rigoletto" was staged last night with wonderful realism and force, and the players are to be congratulated on the stirring fashion in which they enacted their parts.

Signor F. Tini, as Rigoletto, played that difficult rôle with great earnestness and sympathy, and Signorina G. Landi's singing, in the parts assigned to Gilda was of a particularly high order. She was encored several times during the course of the evening. Signor N. Delly made a dashing Duke of Mantua, and Signor B. Carmassi, as the hired assassin, was particularly clever. The show was admirably supported by Signorina A. Fabbri (Maddalena), Signorina E. Piccolo (Contessa di Ceprano), Signor F. Contini (Montezano), Signor A. Gildardi (Conte di Ceprano), Signor V. Bardelli (Marullo), and Signorina M. M. Andreani (Page).

The scenic effects were cleverly arranged, and reflected much credit on Signor Quadri. Signor Giovanni Gonzalez (Director of Orchestra) and Signor Ernesto Gonzalez (Maestro Conductor) also contributed much to the success that attended last night's efforts. The Theatre Royal was well filled, and the audience was very appreciative throughout.

To-night at 8.15 the Company will present "Madame Butterfly."

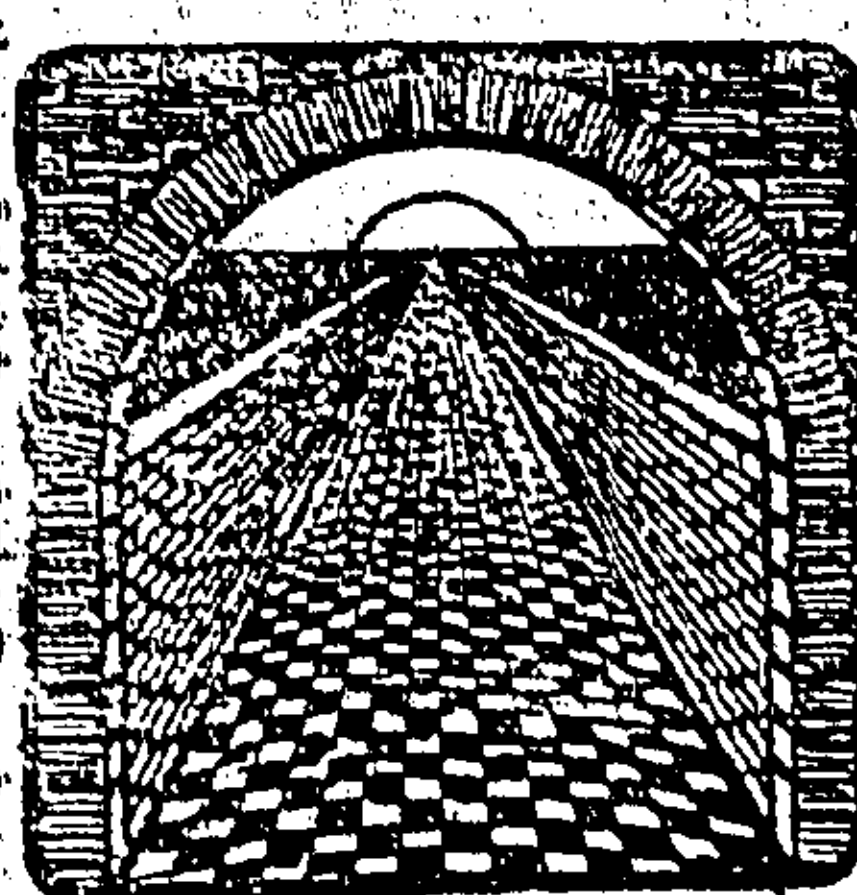
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A "special smooth-top cooker" appeared particularly attractive to the *Daily Press* man. Apparently one only has to put a match to a "pilot" light, press a lever, and mechanical devices do the rest. Little difficulties, such as regulating the heat, are easily overcome. Press the lever, go out for a walk and return to find the dinner beautifully and scientifically cooked; appears to be the motto. And all for \$135, or \$95 if a great deal of entertaining has to be done. Then there is a new "cascading" burner which has all manner of wonderful attributes and is calculated to solve the difficulties of the hot water supply once and for all. Gas irons, gas grates, and other useful articles are also to be seen in infinite variety and a European and Chinese demonstrator will be on duty to show how economically and easily they can be used. The Company are to be congratulated upon their enterprise, and we believe it will be thoroughly appreciated.

MURDER OF INDIAN CONSTABLE. CHINESE FISHERMAN CHARGED.

The case in which a Chinese fisherman is charged with having murdered an Indian Constable at Ngau Shi Wan, was continued yesterday afternoon before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy. Mr. T. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by Inspector T. Murphy.

Evidence was given by the deceased constable's Indian comrades, who said they had arrested prisoner and had left him in the care of the constable. Three months after the murder they attended the identification parade and recognised the prisoner on the Lower Bridge also gave evidence.

His Worship adjourned the case until Thursday morning.

SEAMEN'S FIREARMS. TWO JAPANESE FINED.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, two Japanese seamen of the s.s. *Italy Maru*, were charged with being in unlawful possession of a sporting rifle and an automatic pistol, respectively.

In respect of the first weapon the police did not take a serious view of the case as it was for shooting game. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Stated to have had no permission from the master of the vessel to have the pistol in his possession, the second man was fined \$50.

POSITION AT SWATOW. ANTI-REDS LEAVE THE PORT.

ALL SHOPS CLOSED.

For some days it had been known that the anti-Reds were preparing to evacuate Swatow. Early last week, our correspondent, wrote that one of the higher local officials admitted that their position was precarious. The Reds were steadily advancing on the port from two directions and the anti-Reds, apparently never had much faith in their power to check them. The occurrences of Monday prove that they were fairly good judges of the situation.

At 6 p.m. on Monday evening, our Swatow correspondent cabled:

"Local forces defeated to the North-West of the City. Red troops are now in Kiyang and are expected in Swatow to-morrow or the next day. All local officials have left or are leaving. All shops are closed and business is suspended. The situation is strained, but quiet."

Commenting upon this possibility on October 30th we wrote:

The Reds are seriously threatening the Port from two directions and it is not improbable that they will re-capture the place within a few days. If they do it should not cause any feeling of depression, among our own community. It might even mean an improvement in prospects.

As was pointed out it was of little importance to British trade interests whether the Reds or the anti-Reds were in occupation. If anything the anti-Reds in Swatow had been recently more anti-foreign than their predecessors.

The hope is expressed from anti-Red quarters that the Chinese cruisers will be able effectively to cut off Swatow from direct communication with Canton by water.

THE ROYAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

REQUEST TO ALL GUNNERS TO
"JOIN-UP."

A Branch of the Royal Artillery Association was formed in Hongkong in June, 1923, and is known as the Royal Artillery Association of Hongkong. In forming this Branch it was the intention of those present to foster the comradeship of the Great War among all ex-Gunners and to further the interests of past, present and future members of the Regiment.

In order to maintain the closest co-operation between the Gunner and the ex-Gunner, provision has been made for two civilian members to serve on the Committee to assist in getting all ex-Gunners to join and to urge the case of any necessitous Gunner before the General Committee.

In the North—in Shanghai, Hankow, Tientsin and Peking—ex-Gunner Rolls flourish, and it is safe to say that every Gunner joins up on arrival at these ports. Among all members of these Rolls the wearing of the Regimental Tie on Saturdays and National Days is considered a duty, and this is urged on all members of the Royal Artillery Association of Hongkong.

With the close proximity to Armistice Day it is considered a most opportune time to call upon all Gunners who are not already members to join up to-day. All Gunners will remember "Once a Gunner always a Gunner till your ten toes are turned up," and it is in this spirit, the spirit of the Royal Regiment, that all ex-Gunners are urged to join the Royal Artillery Association of Hongkong. Membership forms and full particulars may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Captain Barrett, R.A., R.A. Mess, Stonecutters, or from either of the two civilian Committee Members (Mr. M. P. Concanon, c/o Messrs. Holyoke, Massey & Co., Ltd., or Mr. T. A. Martin, c/o Messrs. Caldwell, Macgregor & Co., Ltd.).

PROPERTY VALUES FALL IN CANTON.

INEVITABLE RESULT OF RED POLICY.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Practically at the point of the bayonet, the Reds in Canton succeeded late in October in squeezing about \$115,000 from the pawn shops. The landlords are also being forced to give up their rents for another month.

Kah Nam Tong, on Taiping Road, and a score of other large buildings in Canton are now being occupied by strikers from Hongkong who pay no rent, and the indirect loss suffered in this way, together with the fact that landlords have had to forego their rents nine times within the last two years, is responsible for the rapid decline in value of property in all sections of the Southern Capital.

TO END THE BOYCOTT.

The strike committee and a number of trade guilds in Canton have met informally a number of times to plan a common policy for ending the boycott, but so far those working for an early resumption of Canton-Hongkong-Macao trade have not yet seen fit to make a public statement concerning the matter.

LICENCES TO CARRY ARMS.

The Reds in Canton have issued regulations permitting civilians to purchase arms and ammunition on condition that they first obtain licences to buy and carry weapons for self-protection, the fees ranging from \$5 to \$100. All community volunteer corps and local forces are also required to get licences for their members, but these licences are issued at much reduced fees. It is the intention of the Reds soon to inspect all private arms in order to register the quantity in the hands of individuals outside the Red Army.

DISTRESS IN KAU-KONG.

In the devastated districts around Kau-kong along the West River, rice is selling at nearly \$20 a picul and a \$1 has to be paid for less than 20 catties of firewood. Chinese merchants are sending a committee to help in the relief work among the large number of refugees.

CANTON-SAMSHUI RAILWAY.

LINE FALLING INTO DISREPAIR.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Unless repairs are undertaken immediately, the Canton-Samshui Railway in Western Kwangtung will not be serviceable after the next three months, according to the report made by the Managing-Director to the Reconstruction Commissioner of the Kuomintang in Canton. The Managing-Director has also advised the Red authorities that the line cannot pay \$3,000 daily from its receipts for military expenses, as the present income amounts to about \$3,500 only. The daily expenditure is something like \$3,000 a day, some \$1,600 going for wages; \$1,200 coal; and \$300 for incidental expenses. Since the abolition of the works department of the line in 1918 no extensive or regular repairs have been carried out, and the line, in the words of its own officials, is now unsafe for traffic. The wharves and the ferries attached to the line are also in need of repair.

The management of the line has been hoping to have something like \$200,000 with which to effect certain necessary repairs shortly in order that the service may be maintained. It has been roughly estimated that at least \$35,000 are required to repair the ferry-boats now connecting Canton and the Shek-wai-tong Station; \$6,500 for locomotive repairs; \$85,000 for new railroad beds; and \$50,000 for other minor repairs.

The Canton-Samshui Railway, completed in 1904, is about 30 miles long and was intended to be a branch of the Canton-Hankow Railway at the beginning. There is usually a good deal of traffic on the line and about 3,000,000 passengers are carried annually. The fares are comparatively high, and the failure of the Reds properly to maintain the service will mean a considerable loss of revenue.

SUMMARY COURT.

A CASE OF CLASHING WARRANTS.

At the Summary Court on September 25th two Chinese firms, the Sze Hing and the Wang Hing, the latter of 142, Des Vaux Road Central, consented to judgment in an action brought against them by Messrs. Siemens & Co., to recover money owing. Defendants' goods were sold and realized \$1,350, when a Chinese named Wong Kwong Tsoi issued a distress warrant against the defendants for three months' rent.

Before Mr. Justice Wood at the Supreme Court yesterday, Mr. R. A. Wadson for Messrs. Siemens & Co., applied for the discharge of the distress warrant. He also claimed that Wong Kwong Tsoi, the landlord, was one of the proprietors of the debtor firm.

Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for Wong Kwong Tsoi. Wong Kwong Tsoi said he was principal tenant of 142, Des Vaux Road Central. He rented out the bottom floor for \$300 and the first floor for \$70. He had \$500 in the Wang Hing firm in 1919, but soon after a fire occurred and he was given \$400. Since then he had nothing to do with the firm, except renting the ground floor of his premises to them. They were three months in arrears when he issued the distress warrant.

Chan Sing, who said he was manager of both firms, stated that Wong Kwong Tsoi was not a partner with him.

His Lordship said that certain of the firm's documents were in the custody of the Court, but they could not be accounted for.

Mr. Justice Wood intimated that he would give judgment for plaintiff in the case in which the Wang Hing firm was concerned. He found that respondent was a partner of this firm. He had decided that he was not a partner of the Sze Hing firm.

In response to Mr. Lo's request, His Honour said he would write out his judgment.

Mr. Lo stated that an appeal would be made.

DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL.

GARRISON SERGEANT MAJOR CHARGED.

A District Court Martial, presided over by Major and Bt-Lieut-Colonel H. Trevelyan, R.E., assembled at the Murray Barracks yesterday morning, when W.O. Chl C.S.M. Henry Tye, Garrison Staff, appeared to answer a charge of becoming unfit for duty on October 19th, by reason of previous indulgence in alcohol. Accused pleaded not guilty.

Capt. R. F. Walker, R.A.M.C., said he was called to accused's quarters on October 19th, and saw accused, who was very tremulous, had difficulty in walking, and was incoherent in his speech. Witness advised him to go to hospital. Witness considered him to be fit for discharge on October 24th.

Major A. S. Littlejohns, R.A.M.C., said accused was a patient from October 19th to October 24th in the Military Hospital. Accused's condition was due to over-indulgence in alcohol.

Accused said he was not a spirit drinker. He had served for 23 years and 10 months, and during that time there was only one entry against him—a minor offence as a Corporal. He had never been drunk. On October 5th, he became ill, but not wanting to report sick he attempted to cure himself by taking whisky with milk. He never took this more than four times a day, but apparently it had had a bad effect on him. He felt weak and asked to see a doctor, and the doctor advised him to go to hospital. He had been worried about the death of a near relative.

Major Macready said he had known the accused since March, 1924, and during that time he had never been up for any charge and his conduct had been exemplary.

The verdict will be promulgated in due course.

ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE.

Private William Churn, 1st Battalion, East Surrey Regiment, appeared before the same Court, charged with (1) breaking out of barracks when under open arrest, and (2) absencing himself without leave.

Evidence was given to the effect that accused did not answer his name when it was called on October 23rd, and that at 12.45 a.m. on the following morning he had not returned.

Accused said he put in for a late pass, and forgot to hand in his pass when he returned. He asked an orderly corporal if he could go out of barracks again, and received a reply in the affirmative.

The verdict will be promulgated in due course.

MR. J. E. ATHERLEY CHARGED ALLEGED MISAPPROPRIATION OF MONEY.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The hearing was concluded at the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. S. B. E. McElderry, of the case in which Mr. J. Edward Atherley, formerly manager of Getz Bros. & Co. (of the Orient), Ltd., Hongkong, appeared on remand from the previous day charged with the misappropriation of funds amounting to \$18,000 belonging to the Company.

Mr. D. H. Blake appeared to prosecute, Mr. A. E. Hall and Mr. W. B. Hind were for the defendant, and Mr. R. A. Wadson held a watching brief for the complainant concerned.

Messrs. Getz Brothers' cashier, was recalled, and again questioned by Mr. Blake, as follows:—

You told the Court that on the 1st of April, 1924, you handed to defendant certain sums of money, amounting to \$3,891.33, and that he gave you a receipt for these?—Yes.

Did you in addition, on other occasions in the months of April and May, 1924, give the Manager sums of money out of the monies received from the dealers?—Yes.

In reply to another question, witness said that on each of these occasions a fresh receipt was prepared by the defendant to cover, not only the sum then received, but also the monies previously received, the previous receipts being returned to the defendant to be destroyed. The receipt for \$13,149.34, produced in the Court, was for the cumulative amount.

Mr. Blake: It was your practice to type on the bank deposits paper the names of firms from whom you had received the monies which were to be paid into the Bank?—Yes.

Witness added that before a deposit was made with the Bank, the list had first to be shown to the Manager, who would at times withhold certain items, giving witness his own receipts for the amounts thus withheld.

How then, were your deposits lists made to agree with the sums paid into the Bank?—I would prepare a fresh deposit list for the sums actually paid into the Bank on the instructions of the Manager. Some of the items in the old list were crossed out by the Manager in respect of those sums paid to him.

The items on the list were the names of the firms and the sums received from them. Were the names of these firms crossed out?—He merely drew a line over the whole item.

In the fresh list, was that item wholly omitted?—Yes.

In that case, if the names of the dealers were struck out and omitted, were the items lost and forgotten so far as you are concerned?—I would keep the receipt signed by the Manager, which receipt contained those items. All fresh sums drawn from time to time were given one receipt which covered all the previous sums drawn out.

So far as your deposit slips were concerned, that item was lost sight of altogether?—Yes.

With regard to the deposit slips, did the defendant never add anything to them?—No.

Witness also replied negatively to another similar question, put with regard to the deposit lists revised by the defendant.

On Mr. Blake putting in one of the documents Mr. Hind objected, and said that the system of the accounts kept could not very well be judged, though the system of any one item put in. Here Mr. Blake pointed out that in that case the prosecution would again apply for an adjournment of one month, so that they could go more thoroughly into the books.

On being shown the documents witness said they were for sums paid into the Bank on the instructions of the Manager. One document showed \$1,484.98 from six dealers, and a corresponding amount was later paid into the Bank, but this money was from altogether different dealers.

After further evidence, defendant was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

MISS MACKAY'S DEATH.

CORONER'S ENQUIRY TO BE HELD.

A Coroner's enquiry is to be held into the circumstances of the death of Miss Bessie Mackay, the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. Mackay, of Jordan House, Kowloon, who succumbed to injuries received in the recent motor-bus accident at Lai Chi Kok. It will be opened by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy on Thursday, November 19th, at 3 p.m.

The enquiry will be preceded by another into the death of a Chinese who was fatally injured at Tin Wan.

SOLDIERS IN TROUBLE.

R.G.A. MEN SENTENCED.

Driver A. E. Blackman, of the 38th Battery, R.G.A., and Gunner Kamm, of Victoria Barracks, appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday. The first defendant was charged on two counts with damaging two rickshas, also with being drunk and disorderly, and further, with damaging a police cell. The charges against Kamm were of a like nature, with an additional count of assaulting an Indian police constable.

Evidence was given by a ricksha coolie, who said defendants were two of a party of three who visited the ricksha stand at the junction of Peel Street and Queen's Road and damaged the rickshas by knocking them against each other. Police whistles were blown, and defendants were caught by an Indian policeman.

An Indian constable testified that the men were under the influence of drink, and Inspector MacNab Wilson said that when in the cells both began to smash up things.

Asked what they had to say, Blackman stated that he did not dispute the evidence; while Kamm said he had forgotten what had happened.

Blackman was fined \$5 each on four counts, and ordered to pay \$2 compensation for damaging a ricksha, as well as \$3 for damage to Government property.

Kamm was fined \$5 for damaging one ricksha and ordered to pay \$4 compensation; the second charge, of damaging another ricksha, was "withdrawn"; a fine of \$5 was imposed for being drunk and disorderly; and an order made for payment of \$10 compensation for damaging Government property; whilst on the charge of assaulting the police, sentence of fourteen days' imprisonment was passed.

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES.

MR. OSCAR EAGER CAUTIONED.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning, Mr. Oscar Eager, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, was charged with driving his car, No. 421, around the corner of Gascoigne Road and Nathan Road, Kowloon, in such a way as to contravene the traffic regulations. Mr. Eager was going in the direction of Mongkok, and it was alleged that instead of going around the traffic standard and the police officer he "cut" the corner.

Mr. Hamilton said he seemed to remember that this post was rather awkwardly placed, and that the spot was rather a bad corner. He would caution Mr. Eager.

PRIVATE CAR USED FOR HIRE.

Mr. D. S. Green, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, also appeared before Mr. Hamilton on a traffic summons. He was charged with allowing his private car to be used for hire at the Star Ferry on October 22nd.

Mr. Green said he kept his car at the Duro Garage, who had three similar cars of their own. Apparently some mistake was made, and his car was sent out for hire.

His Worship postponed the case for a week in order that summonses might be taken out against those people of the Duro Garage Company who were responsible for the offence.

MOTORING OFFENCES.

CASES AT CENTRAL TRAFFIC COURT.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. S. B. E. McElderry dealt with about thirty cases of infringement of the traffic and motoring regulations. Among the cases was one in which a Chinese taxi-driver was summoned for negligent driving on the Pokfulam Road on September 25th.

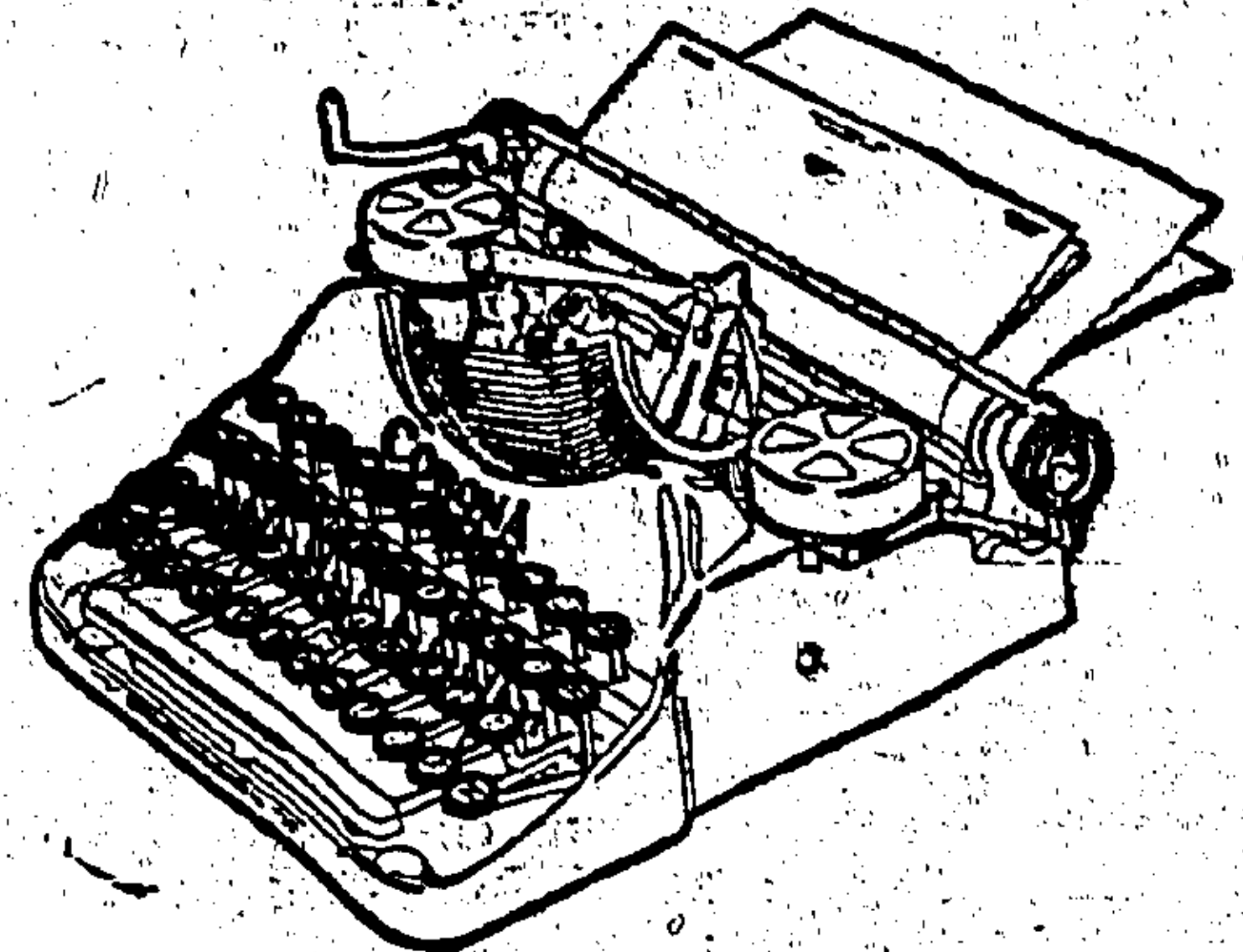
Inspector Alexander explained that the taxi was near "The Fir" in Pokfulam Road, where a passenger had been dropped. Proceeding along the road was a European riding a motor-cycle, who sounded the horn of his machine as he approached the taxi. The taxi driver made a wide sweep to the right to turn around and in doing so collided with the motor-cycle, which was damaged.

A fine of \$20 was imposed. In another case a Chinese motor driver was summoned for having a public car in use during prohibited hours, in Connaught Road at 1.15 a.m. He collided with a public ricksha, which was damaged. A Chinese passenger in the ricksha was thrown out and his long silk coat spoiled.

The driver was fined \$30 and was also ordered to pay \$24 compensation to the ricksha passenger for the damage to the coat and \$24 compensation for damage to the ricksha.

In another case, a motor-bus driver, of the Aberdeen Motor Bus Company, was fined \$25 for driving at excessive speed on the Pokfulam Road.

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THURSDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 5th, at 8 P.M. Sharp.

Those intending to be Present who have not sent their Names in should At Once Notify A. T. HAMILTON, District Grand Secretary, Masonic Hall.

PEAK CLUB DANCE.

MEMBERS are Reminded that A DANCE (Short Coat Evening Dress) will be held at the Club on SATURDAY, 7th NOVEMBER, 1925, from 9.30 P.M. till MIDNIGHT. Tickets for Members and Visitors \$1.00 Each Person.

Special Late Peak Tram—12.30 A.M. F. C. HALL, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 3rd November, 1925.



GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC.

TENDERS FOR SPECIE AND MEXICAN DOLLARS current in this Colony, for Telegraphic Transfer, on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, up to and for the sum of £20,000, will be received by the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, COMMAND PAY OFFICE, WEST 11 O'Clock A.M., on the 4th NOVEMBER, 1925.

The Tenders to state the Total Amount (in Pounds sterling). No Telegraphic Transfer will be made for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers addressed to the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, COMMAND PAY OFFICE, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

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R. A. DOBBIN, Lt.-Col., Treasury Chest Officer, R.A.P.O. His Majesty's Treasury Office, Hongkong, 3rd November, 1925.

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The First Ball will be rung at 2.15 p.m. The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.

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Dated Hongkong, 27th October, 1925.

INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG BOXING
ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION will be held at Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Ltd.'s Board Room on THURSDAY, the 5th day of NOVEMBER, 1925, at 5.15 P.M. for the following purposes—

- 1.—To receive the General Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending the 30th day of June, 1925.
- 2.—To elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Official Referee, Manager, Secretary and Treasurer and the General Committee for the year 1925-1926.

By Order of the General Committee,
T. G. BENNETT,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer,
Hongkong, 31st October, 1925.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER
COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

WITH reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 18th SEPTEMBER, 1925, whereby the Final Call of \$3.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 3rd NOVEMBER, 1925, instead of 1st OCTOBER, 1925, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further extend the time for payment of this Call.

NOTICE IS ACCORDINGLY HEREBY GIVEN that the Date for Payment of the Final Call is POSTPONED to 4th JANUARY, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipts already sent to Shareholders can be used, though the date named therein were the 4th JANUARY, 1926.

For THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO., (1918), SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 28th October, 1925.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

WITH reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 23rd JULY, 1925, whereby the Final Call of \$3.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 2nd NOVEMBER, 1925, instead of 1st AUGUST, 1925, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further extend the time for payment of this Call.

NOTICE IS ACCORDINGLY HEREBY GIVEN that the Date for Payment of the Final Call is POSTPONED to 1st FEBRUARY, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipts already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the Date named therein were the 1st FEBRUARY, 1926.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 21st Nov., 1925, or they will not be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MAACKINSON, MACKENZIE & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 31st October, 1925.

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo from DUNKIRK, ANTWERP, MIDDLESBOROUGH and LONDON.

In connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless Instructions are received from the Consignees before 12 Noon To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter. Goods remaining undelivered after Wednesday, the 4th November, 1925, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Saturday, the 7th November 1925, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 4th November, 1925, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. R. RODENFUSER, Agent, Hongkong, 29th October, 1925.

PRINCE LINE FAR EAST SERVICE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "GOTHIC PRINCE" having arrived from the above Port on 30th instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, 6th Nov., 1925 at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within 15 days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th November, 1925 will be subject to Rent.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

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MARRIAGES.

COOK—WIGHT.—On October 19th, at All Saints' Church, Tientsin, Captain ARCHIBALD COOK, China Navigation Company, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN COOK, Greenock, to FRANCES, only daughter of the late CALVIN WIGHT and Mrs. WIGHT, of the American Presbyterian Church, Tientsin, North China.

DUNSTON—BAIN.—On October 24th, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, FRANK, second son of the late EDWARD JAMES and HARRIET DUNSTON of Shanghai, to ELEANOR ESTHER ISABELLA, youngest daughter of JOHN McDONALD and the late ELEANOR CLARKE BAIN, of Edinburgh.

SHUTE—ROWLAND.—On October 17th, at St. John's Church, Hankow, REGINALD GORDON LEGGISH SHUTE, Shanghai, to VERA ALMA, youngest daughter of Mr. T. J. ROWLAND and the late Mrs. ROWLAND, Hankow.

DEATHS.

LOPEZ.—On November 1st, Mrs. MARIA URSULA LOPEZ, at the age of 78 (Macao and Shanghai papers please copy).

MACAN.—On October 24th, at Shanghai, MARIA MAGDALENA, aged 61.

NEAVE.—On November 1st, at Colwyn Bay, North Wales, THOMAS NEAVE, Superintendent Engineer, The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., for 28 years in employment of the Company. Deeply regretted. (2845)

PAICE.—On October 24th, at H.B.M. Naval Office, Shanghai, THOMAS PAICE, late Company Sergeant Major, R.M.L.I.

PRESHAW.—On October 24th, JOHN DUNCAN, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. PRESHAW.

Hongkong Office: 21, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 4TH, 1925.

EXIT THE ANTI-REDS.

It would appear that the anti-red experiment in Kwangtung is about finished. Certain forces directed by General CHAN Kwing Ming, in absentia, captured Swatow towards the end of September.

They promised to use the Port as a base from which to restore order throughout the district, and naturally, their advent was warmly welcomed by all sections of the Chinese community. But

"they came; they squeezed; they fled."

That would serve as an epitome for most Chinese military campaigns in the South. It is an admirable summing up of the manner in which General CHAN Kwing Ming's programme was carried through and it is not strange, therefore, that our Swatow correspondent should report that his men have left the place "unwept, unhonoured and unsung."

We believe Swatow residents generally will be glad to be rid of them. For a week or two it appeared likely that they would stop illegal picketing and measures of intimidation. They were profuse in their protestations that a free market was to be established in which traders might buy or sell, without let or hindrance from one side or the other; that is all the Chinese merchants hanker for, a guarantee that they will not be penalised for carrying on their business in their own way and in the manner best suited to their pockets. But very soon after the new-comers had established themselves it became evident that free trade was the last thing with which they would concern themselves, and shortly before their exit there were complaints from all sides that conditions under their régime were worse than they had ever been before. The anti-Reds attribute their reverse to lack of funds and to lack of ammunition. This may be, as far as we know, a sound reason why they did not make any headway against their enemies, but it certainly does not explain their attitude towards the commercial community generally.

It is stated that they have only withdrawn to the Kiangse and Fukien borders to reorganise and to replenish their war-chest. Quite frankly we hope they will succeed in neither the one thing nor the other. Their incursion into Kwangtung has been a ghastly failure from beginning to end. Its only effect has been to bring about unnecessarily the death of a few more hundred unfortunate Chinese soldiers. Therefore, now they have gone from the Province we trust they will remain out. This criticism is not levelled against them because they were unsuccessful, but because, from the mass of information which has come to our knowledge, we are convinced they were not actuated by honest motives. Their actions have shown that they had no real desire to improve the lot of their own countrymen. This was a blind. All they wished to do was to enrich themselves and they were entirely unscrupulous in the methods adopted to achieve this purpose.

It is only on the Eastern front that there has been any suggestion of fighting. All the talk from Chinese sources, regarding the activities in the North, West and South means very little. When a district is captured by the Reds or re-captured by the "anti-Reds" it signifies usually little more than that the officer in command has been "persuaded" to declare his allegiance to one side or the other. No one can tell, therefore, what actually is the position to-day. The only thing certain is that the activity of armed bands, the excuse given to marauders and plunderers, is sapping the vitality of the whole country-side and diminishing steadily its recuperative powers. In Kaokung, on the West River, there are now several thousands of refugees reported homeless and relief work has had to be started. While strife continues such conditions will doubtless be reproduced on a wider and still wider scale.

As we have said before, we do not believe the boycott is now part of the official Government policy. It is kept alive in our opinion simply by organisations which are making money out of it, and in the present disturbed state of the country it is impossible for any military leader to take action against them. The boycott has been maintained for six months and the responsible heads of the administration must realise the harm it has done. They have hinted to the labour leaders that it should stop and the result has been the sending of delegates to Hongkong to pave the way for another conference with Hongkong Chinese merchants. Possibly, relieved of the burden of "waging war" on four fronts, the militarists will be able to take a stronger line and instead of hinting will be able to command the strike pickets to cease from some of their activities.

Among residents returning to the Colony by the R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* to-morrow Mrs. F. C. Jenkin and her younger daughter.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of A.B. Stanley George Poole, of H.M.S. *Hawkins*, to Miss Grace Marshall, of No. 22, Morrison Hill Road.

"Golf is like a love affair—unless you take it seriously, there is no fun in it, and if you do take it seriously, it breaks your heart."—Arnold Daly.

The farewell Masonic dinner to the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E., C.M.G., is to be held at the Masonic Hall, Zetland Street, to-morrow night.

There was a good attendance at the Seamen's Institute last night on the occasion of an enjoyable dance held by the ship's company of H.M.S. *Hesperus*.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending October 17th amounted to 95,915 tons and the sales during the period to 79,015 tons.

Mr. J. Barnett was fined \$10 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, for disobeying the signals of a police constable at the Po-Hing Theatre corner.

H.M.S. *Titanic's* syncope orchestra are to provide the music at the fancy dress carnival dance to be held under the auspices of H.M.S. *Amethyst* on Friday. Prizes are being awarded for fancy dresses, spot waltz, balloon waltz, etc.

H.E. the Governor (Mr. Cecil Clementi, C.M.G.) paid a visit to the Commander-in-Chief of the China Station (Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander Sinclair, K.C.B.) on H.M.S. *Hawkins* yesterday morning. The usual salute was fired by H.M.S. *Carlisle*.

In connection with the dancing display being given by the pupils of Miss Violet Capell at the Theatre Royal, parents and friends of the pupils wishing to present bouquets or gifts are kindly requested to do so at the matinee performance on Wednesday, November 11th, and not at the night performance on Saturday.

Sanitary Inspector P. Knight, has reported to the police that while riding his motor-cycle he knocked down a Chinese girl in Queen's Road East, near Wing Fung Street, on Monday, inflicting injuries to her head. The girl was taken to the Government Civil Hospital, but was later removed by her parents, against the surgeon's advice.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon, but the business was purely formal. Those present were Mr. N. L. Smith (President) and Dr. J. C. MacGowan, Mr. H. T. Cross (Director of Public Works), Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Dr. S. W. Tao, Dr. W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health) and Mr. D. Davis (Assistant Secretary).

The return showing the number of cases of notifiable diseases which have occurred in the Colony during the week ended October 31st gives one Chinese case of diphtheria, three Chinese cases of enteric fever and one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever. Death resulted in each case. There was also one death from influenza. There was a still return for the 24 hours ended November 2nd.

ARMISTICE DAY.

MR. R. C. WITCHELL'S EFFORTS.

Mr. R. C. Wittchell, secretary of the V.R.C., is endeavouring to make the celebration of Armistice Day more impressive and more notable than usual.

He would like to have a great procession in which, ex-servicemen, ex-army nurses, V.A.D. nurses, the Volunteers, the Police, as well as the Police Reserve of all nationalities in Hongkong would take part. A navy or army band should, he thinks, be in attendance, and a special ceremony conducted at the Cenotaph, at which, possibly, H.E. the Governor, Mr. Cecil Clementi, might take part. During the procession collections would be made for Earl Haig's Fund.

Mr. Wittchell is trying to enlist the sympathy of the heads of the Navy and Army, the ex-servicemen's club, and other branches for the fulfilment of the programme which he has mapped out.

In the evening a carnival will be held at the V.R.C. when there will be raffia for a diamond and pearl brooch, and a diamond pin.

THE TRADE LOAN.

Communications connected with the Trade Loan should, in future, be addressed to Mr. A. E. Wood, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and not to Mr. Grantham at the Colonial Secretary's Office as previously notified.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FRENCH FINANCES.

M. PAINLEVE EXPLAINS PLANS
OF GOVERNMENT.

SOCIALISTS WITHDRAW SUPPORT.

PARIS, November 3rd.

The National Council of the Socialist Party has decided by 1,431 votes to 1,223 not to support the new Cabinet.

M. PAINLEVE MAY RESIGN.

LATER.

Following the decision of the Socialist Party to withdraw its support from Government, there is talk of the immediate resignation of M. Painlevé, who spent the morning conferring on the situation with politicians of the Left Group.

EARLIER CABLES.

M. PAINLEVE EXPLAINS.

PARIS, November 2nd.

At an important two-hour meeting to-night, M. Painlevé explained to Socialist leaders the Government Ministerial programme as regards finance. The Government proposed to establish a sinking fund, which would be supplied by means of an increase of income tax, permitting some sixty-five milliard francs of debt to be redeemed during the next fifteen years.

The Socialists indicated that they were not completely satisfied with the programme, explaining that some points remained for settlement, notably the credits to be voted for the Moroccan and Syrian operations, which the Socialists were unable to support in consequence of the decisions of the recent Marseilles congress. The position is thus critical.

If the question be not settled the Government may find itself in a minority, since the opposition groups have already announced their intention not to vote these credits.

PLANS OF GOVERNMENT.

The Ministerial statement approved by the Cabinet, which will be read in Parliament to-day, deals principally with the financial situation and the Government aims in balancing the budget, partly by means of the sinking fund mentioned earlier, regarding which an appeal is being made to patriotism. The programme includes the reduction of military service to one year and a revision of the system of single-member constituencies.

HOME MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

RESULTS SHOW SUBSTANTIAL
LABOUR GAINS.

LONDON, November 2nd.

The results of the Municipal Elections in England and Wales show that Labour has substantially improved its position, gaining many seats from the Conservatives and Liberals. A similar result is shown in the limited number of London contests so far declared.

LATEST CABLES.

GAINS AND LOSSES.

LONDON, November 3rd.

The results, announced early this morning, in about 80 of the largest provincial towns show the gains and losses to be as follows:

	Gains.	Losses.
Labour	78	26
Conservatives	25	49
Liberals	11	33
Independents	21	25

FRANCE AND SYRIA.

POST OF HIGH COMMISSIONER
OFFERED TO M. DOUMER.

PARIS, November 3rd.

M. Doumer, formerly Governor-General of Indo-China, has been offered the post of French High Commissioner to Syria. So far he has not replied.

A MOSCOW DEMENTY.

Moscow, November 2nd. The Tass news agency denies that M. Kviatkovsky was shot without trial on October 28th. The agency adds that he has been arrested and will shortly be arraigned.

OBITUARY.

PROFESSOR MAYOR.

LONDON, November 3rd.

The death is announced of Professor James Mayor, Ph.D., F.R.S. of Canada, author of numerous publications on political economy.

ADMIRAL BATTEN.

LONDON, November 3rd.

The death is announced to-day of Admiral Alexander William Chisholm Batten, M.V.O., D.S.O.

EARLIER CABLES.

HELOUAN TO NIGERIA.

FIRST STAGE OF BRITISH FLIGHT
ACCOMPLISHED.

CAIRO, November 2nd.

The airmen who started from Helouan, in Egypt, on the flight to Nigeria on October 27th have arrived at Kano, in Nigeria.

A message of October 27th stated: Squadron Leader Coningham and Flight-Lieutenant Bowley and Bagge started from Helouan at 1 a.m. today on three D.H. 8a machines on a flight to Nigeria and back. General Haking and others wished them goodspeed. The first halt will be Halfa; then Khartoum, Obeid and Fasher. After this, they will cross unexplored French Equatorial Africa.

London papers to hand by the last mail announced:—

The Air Ministry has made arrangements for the dispatch this autumn from Cairo to Kano, in Nigeria, of a flight of three Service aircraft from No. 47 Squadron of the Royal Air Force stationed at Helouan, Egypt. The flight is being undertaken for the purpose of gaining experience in long-distance flights over tropical countries where few facilities in the way of the ground organization required by aircraft exist, and with the object of allowing Nigeria to see the capabilities of British aircraft. The route to be followed will pass through the Sudan, French Equatorial Africa, and pass Lake Chad to Kano, the capital of Nigeria. The places to be visited for refuelling, etc., will be Aswam, in Egypt; Khartoum, El Obeid, and El Fasher, in the Sudan; Abbecher and Fort Lamy, in French Equatorial Africa; and Maiduguri and Kano, in Nigeria. The organization of the flight is being undertaken by Air Vice-Marshal Sir Oliver Swann, Air Officer Commanding Middle East. Squadron-Leader A. Coningham will be in command of the flight.

AUSTRALIANS AT CRICKET.

HEAVY SCORING AT ADELAIDE IN
INTER-STATE MATCH.

ADELAIDE, November 2nd.

South Australia beat West Australia by an innings and 291 runs.

West Australia made 170, Grimmett taking five wickets for 60 runs; and, in their second innings, 161 runs, to which Bryant contributed 65. Grimmett took five wickets for 63 runs.

South Australia made 612 runs, A. Richardson making 227, Gunn 126, and Scott 77.

STRIKES IN AUSTRALIA.

CLASHES WITH POLICEMEN AT
FREMANTLE.

FREMANTLE, November 2nd.

One thousand of the strikers rushed the steamer *Argyllshire*. The police intervened and a two hours fight ensued. A number of policemen were among the injured sent to hospital. There were one hundred arrests.

Railwaymen at Bowen have refused to handle coal-trucks for the steamer *Port Hardy*, and the farmers have announced their intention of drawing the coal to the jetty. The police have been instructed to prevent the farmers and others interfering with railway property.

RULERS IN MOROCCO.

MADRID, November 2nd.

General Sanjurjo has been appointed High-Commissioner of Morocco, and Generals Castrogirona and Federico Bercinguer, Commandants-General of Melilla and Ceuta, respectively.

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

RESULTS OF MATCHES ON
MONDAY.

LONDON, November 2nd.

Rochdale to-day defeated Rotherham at Rotherham by four goals to nil, their victory placing them at the head of the Third Division (Northern section) of the English League.

The annual friendly match between Cambridge University and Chelsea resulted in a win for the latter by two goals to one.

LATEST CABLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

"FIGHTING" IN MEXICO.

SOCIALISTS AND OPPONENTS
COME TO BLOWS.

MEXICO CITY, November 3rd.

Five persons were killed and 27 wounded as a result of fighting between Socialists and their opponents in several towns in Yucatan. The trouble occurred during the elections for the Governor.

TARIFF CONFERENCE.

POWERS ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE
CHINESE PROPOSAL.

ABOLITION OF "LIKIN."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, November 3rd.

Sir Ronald Macleay, on behalf of the British delegation, having formally declared at this morning's meeting of the Customs Conference Tariff Autonomy Committee, that: "They are willing to submit to the ratification by Government of such further measures as may be devised and agreed upon at the conference, in view of ensuring within a reasonable period—full realization of China's claim to complete liberty of action in matters relating to tariff," all the Powers have now accepted in principle the Chinese proposal for granting tariff autonomy and the committee's labours are temporarily finished.

The Japanese and American delegates this morning presented somewhat similar proposals for the new treaty.

Dr. C. T. Wang tabled a declaration by the Chinese Government, undertaking to abolish *likin* not later than January 1st, 1929. The committee has adjourned *sine die*.

The discussion of various proposals will now be taken up by a committee of two, which will meet next Friday.

FAR EASTERN CABLE

NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WAR IN THE NORTH.

NO FURTHER NEWS OF FIGHTING
YESTERDAY.

NANKING, November 2nd.

Reports indicate that the Fengtien forces are occupying Pengpu and that Sun Chuan Fang is making his defence here at Minkwang.

SALT GABELLE FUNDS USED.

HANKOW, November 3rd.

A detachment of Hupeh troops are reported to have left to-day for Honan.

A telegram to Wu Pei Fu from Sun Chuan Fang states that the latter has informed Feng Yu Hsiang of the advance of the allied troops to Hanchow and has called on Feng Yu Hsiang to carry out his part of the bargain, "in accordance with the previous understanding."

It is understood that Wu Pei Fu has issued a manifesto to the effect that the funds of the Salt Gabelle will not be allowed to go to Peking. He bases his action on a similar step taken by Chang Tso Lin at Mukden and argues that if Chang Tso Lin is allowed by the Foreign Powers to withhold the Salt Gabelle funds, he can follow suit.

AMERICAN PRIESTS.

ALLEGED TO BE HELD BY BANDITS
AT ST. JOHN'S ISLAND.

PEKING, November 3rd.

The American Consul at Hongkong has reported to the Legation that two American priests are alleged to be held by bandits at St. John's Island, south of Hongkong. An American destroyer and Chinese warships are being sent to effect their release.

LATEST CABLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

ELECTIONS IN U.S.A.

CAMPAIGN FOR NEW YORK IS
"Dullest For Years."

New York, November 3rd.

Greater New York to-day is electing a mayor and other municipal authorities. The campaign is the dullest for many years. It is expected the Democratic or Tammany Hall candidate for the mayoralty (State Senator James Walker) will win by a large majority from the Republican candidate (Frank Waterman, the fountain pen manufacturer). The only issue is the question of State bond issues, involving the expenditure of a billion dollars for improvements.

SHANGHAI RACES.

OLD BILL STILL ABLE TO WIN
RACES.

BILL BREWER'S DOUBLE.

The second day's results of the Shanghai Autumn race-meeting, held yesterday, once again showed that Old Bill has still to be reckoned with in his own class as evidenced by his victory in the Siccawei Plate.

Messrs. Beith and Pearce's Bill Brewer completed a nice double event for his owners.

Details follow:—

I.—THE PAGODA CUP (9 F.):

Mr. Powhattan's Snake (Mr. Springfield) 1

Mr. St. Andrew's Perhaps (Mr. Maitland) 2

Mr. Recfenkid's Bouzincourt (Mr. Mc Kidd) 3

Time: 2min. 20.1-seconds.

II.—THE NORTHERN CUP (8 F.):

Mr. Robson's The Innocent Bird (Mr. Brand) 1

Mr. Day's Duke of Portland (Mr. A. N. Dallas) 2

Mr. B. D. F. Beith's Booran (Mr. Maitland) 3

Time: 1min. 30.4-seconds.

III.—THE CHINA CUP (14 M.):

Mr. Day's Screenland (Mr. Dallas) 1

Mr. Omekrik's Astrap (Mr. Moller) 2

Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's The Ibis (Mr. McBain) 3

Time: 2min. 48.1-seconds.

IV.—CHINESE CUP AND SHANGHAI STAKES (14 Miles):

Mr. Day's New Zealand (Mr. Dallas) 1

Mr. Harry White's Don Alphonso (Mr. Springfield) 2

Mr. We Two's Young Bill (Mr. Burkill) 3

Time: 3min. 12.4-seconds.

V.—THE LAMA MIAU STAKES (8 M.):

Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's The Throats (Mr. McBain) 1

Mr. Day's Forestland (Mr. Dallas) 2

Mr. Allan's Florida (Mr. Moller) 3

Time: 4min. 22.4-seconds.

VI.—THE RUBICON PLATE (7 F.):

Mr. Dice's Craps (Mr. Springfield) 1

Mr. Lamerton's Salamis (Mr. Moller) 2

Misses V. and D. McBain's Indecision (Mr. Burkill) 3

Time: 1min. 52.1-seconds.

VII.—THE RACING STAKES (14 M.):

Mr. Liddell's Whentcroft (Mr. Bremner) 1

Mr. Toeg's Red Deer (Mr. Sokoloff) 2

Mr. Bert's Phantom (Mr. Heinzerling) 3

Time: 2min. 41-seconds.

VIII.—THE SYCEE STAKES (7 F.):

Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's The Mallard (Mr. McBain) 1

Mr. Robson's The Fascinating Bird (Mr. Brand) 2

Mr. Day's Jutland (Mr. Heinzerling) 3

Time: 1min. 50.1-seconds.

IX.—THE SICCOWAI PLATE (14 M.):

Mr. Campox's Old Bill (Mr. Brand) 1

Mr. Day's Borderland (Mr. Dallas) 2

Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's Roman Oriole (Mr. McBain) 3

Time: 2min. 43.1-seconds.

X.—THE MONGOLIAN PLATE (1 M. 3 F.):

Messrs. Beith and Pearce's Bill Brewer (Mr. Heard) 1

M. and L.G.W.'s Western Moor (Mr. Maitland) 2

S.H.M.'s Sergeant Boy (Mr. Silagi) 3

Time: 3min. 09-seconds.

XI.—THE CHIEFLI CUP (4 M.):

Misses V. and D. McBain's Grey Duck (Mr. McBain) 1

Mr. Powhattan's Captain Cuttle (Mr. Brand) 2

Mr. D. Brand's Adelphi (Mr. Brand) 3

Time: 1min. 32-seconds.

FISH STOPS A MOTOR-BOAT.

CAPTURED AFTER A STRUGGLE
OFF BRIGHTON.

After a fierce struggle lasting over an hour, fishermen in a motor-boat, brought back to Brighton on September 25th a giant ray for the Aquarium. Measuring over 6 ft. in length and 6 ft. in width, the fish ruined the net in which it was caught and actually brought the motor-boat, with its 12 h.p. engine, to a standstill.

After it was placed in the Aquarium's largest tank the ray was attacked by three spider crabs, who actually nibbled pieces from its body. The ray lashed out with its tail, hurling the crabs across the tank in a cloud of mud.

ON A HANDCART.

Describing the capture, a young fisherman stated that never before had he heard of a fish of that type stopping a motor-boat.

We were about five miles off Brighton when the boat stopped, and we thought the net had caught in some wreckage. When we tried to pull the net up, however, we saw what had happened. The ray struggled furiously, and we made an unsuccessful attempt to get it on board.

Owing to its struggles the ray became entangled in the net, and thus its resisting power was lessened. We were then able to proceed at a slow speed into Brighton, where we took the fish to the Aquarium on a handcart.

I believe it is the biggest ray ever caught off Brighton.

The ray is a fish of the skate kind, so called from the ray-like fins on its breast.

"MOSCOW METHODS."

WARNING BY MR. J. R. CLYNES.
"WOULD HASTEN OUR OWN
RUIN."

A warning against the employment of Moscow methods in Great Britain was uttered by the Right Hon. J. R. Clynes, P.M., speaking at Hebburn-on-Tyne.

Reviewing the proceedings of the Trades Union Congress, he said the congress had shattered the idea that the motive of those who supported the miners in the recent crisis was political or revolutionary. With the exception of an odd speech, by one or two of the less responsible delegates, the delegates had shown the greatest moderation and wisdom in their attitude and for 20 years no man living, who would not judge too lightly, had been so wise.

They had been wise, they had been wise, for they all knew that the capitalist system would not fall under any weight of resolutions. It would be changed, in due time, only when the nation was ready to accept modifications of it, and in the end its abolition for such better system as could be devised. The march of ideas could not be stayed, and the class which was doing a greater disservice to the nation than even those who talked revolution was the class which resisted every effort to change for the better or to extend the benefits of civilisation.

"Our outlook on Moscow," he proceeded, "does not arise from any wish to copy Moscow methods, and only a few who appear to know little of either British history or character seriously ask us to imitate conditions which, if applied here, would hasten our own ruin."

The refusal of the Congress to give to the General Council increased powers for militant action proved the innate preference of the British character for prudence and reason in the conduct of industrial affairs. The various trade unions were naturally jealous of their own privileges and conditions of self-government, and though they would stand together in common defence of some general standard which must be maintained, they would never yield to any outside body, however representative or powerful, the autonomy which belonged to the members of the separate organisations.

The Congress showed not the slightest sympathy with isolated instances in which lately they had seen a hint at the use of a little violence for the defence of working-class interests. "We need make no preparation here to resist anything by force of arms," Mr. Clynes added. "Should any one class begin to do that, many other classes would act in imitation immediately. Violence would intensify every evil from which we suffer, and straight conflict could end only in the starvation of working-class families, in cracking the heads of men, branking the hearts of women, and leaving us with every problem to settle after the faction fight had finished. The idea of a revolution is entertained by only a few, and to a large extent they are amongst the new recruits who know nothing of the development of organised labour in Britain."

A revolution would leave the problem of unemployment unsettled. It would make the housing difficulty worse, it would not restore our markets, and would throw into a condition of greater dislocation all our financial and commercial relations with the world at large. The Minister of Labour had recently made an appeal for industrial peace. The Trades Union Congress had done nothing to stand in the way of that peace. Organised Labour was on the side of peace, but it must be peace at the price of fair play.

THE LAW CLERK.

CHANGES SINCE THE DAYS OF
DICKENS.

How life in an English lawyer's office has changed, writes D. Rees Williams in the *Daily News*. No longer does the lawyer's clerk spit his quill carefully and, after taking pains to prepare and pounce his parchment, set out to write his deed of thousands and thousands of words. The old engrossers are rapidly becoming as extinct as the London cabs.

The modern lawyer clerk has changed too—from the half-starved, servile soul perched on the top of a high office stool eating his frugal meal sandwich and drinking his glass of adulterated milk, to the spruce, well-fed and well-dressed young gentleman of to-day.

Two things only have not changed in a lawyer's office: one is the article clerk, still with his habit of looking in at the office for an hour or two in the morning, and for half-an-hour or so in the afternoon, on his way to and returning from some sporting excursion, the other is the dust—that is always with us.

Dickens has given us the clerks of his day. They fascinated him in almost all his books. If he were not there already, Dickens soon made a trip to London, and once there quickly found his way to the lawyers and their clerks. Old and rusty, middle-aged and rusty, young and perky, all to Dickens, exhibited some thing of the glamour, the middle-classness and the decay of the Law. To-day their descendants retain something of the prejudice and a few of the virtues.

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THE PERFECT PRIME MINISTER.

SOLUTION OF THE HOUSING
PROBLEM.

DISEMBOWEL THE CITIES.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, received the freedom of Glasgow on October 1st in the presence of 4,000 citizens in St. Andrew's Hall. They gave him an enthusiastic welcome. The organist played "See, the Conquering Hero Comes."

The freedom was conferred "in recognition and appreciation of his great services to the State, successively as Financial Secretary to the Treasury, President of the Board of Trade, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Prime Minister, and of his interest in and sympathy with the great social problems which confront the country."

Mr. Baldwin said: "No progressive country can ever be free from difficulties, and every time is a time of transition. We have come through a prolonged and terrific struggle for our very existence."

We are borne down under a burden of taxation resulting from that struggle, and we are perplexed by the changes that are occurring under our eyes in the channels of world trade on which we are so dependent. We are profoundly depressed at the thought of the numbers of unemployed and the continuance of unemployment. Nothing could be easier for us than to paint a sombre picture full of shadows and to ask ourselves, Does Scotland stand where she did? Or, is England played out? But that would not be a true picture.

In the time of our fathers changes came slowly. What is apt to disconcert us to-day is the speed at which changes come, whether these changes be social, industrial, or commercial.

HOUSING AND DISCONTENT.

There is no doubt, quite apart from the essential wrong of such conditions of housing which still exist, that those conditions are the most fertile source of social discontent.

Grievous as it may be to see social discontent, it is yet a better thing than cynical indifference or lazy acquiescence. It is not for us to apportion blame. It is a waste of time. We are all to blame, and we have all come short of perfection. Let us see that our sympathy is not wasted in noisy declamation or in mere fault-finding.

Let us rather wed the social enthusiasm that does exist to experience and reason. The task of improving the worst quarters in our great cities is hard enough to demand the co-operation of the best men and women of all classes, and those who withstand such improvements—whether it may be from a selfish regard for their own wealth or property or whether it be from a desire to monopolize their skill and exploit the city—those people, in whatever ranks of life they are found, are the worst enemies of the communal life. (Cheers.)

I am convinced that the day will come when we shall have to evict our great cities—a tremendous task, to which the imagination, the vision, and the wisdom of your best people may well be devoted.

A FATHER'S ERRORS.

At a luncheon later Mr. Baldwin said: "Conscious as he was of having committed every error as a father that could be committed," he looked forward to seeing what was the only way of bringing up the rising generation. (Laughter.)

In the same way, after he had served the State to the best of his ability, he should look forward to reading of the advent of the perfect Prime Minister, who combined the iron hand with the velvet glove, who never said the wrong word, who preserved the even tenor of his way, only getting his hysterics when the people desired hysterics, and keeping calm when they desired calm—a man with vision, foresight, and intelligence, a man with wit and brains. (Laughter.)

MARQUIS DI PINEDO.

According to the Rome Correspondent of a Home paper, on the same day that the Italian airman, the Marquis di Pinedo, arrived in Tokyo, the news also reached Rome from Naples that his sister Enrica had taken a strong dose of a narcotic poison there.

A letter found at her side gave no clue as to the reasons which prompted the act. She was taken to hospital, where, although her condition was grave, the doctors had hopes of saving her life.

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

November 2nd.

City of Glasgow, British str., 3,405 tons, Capt. W. J. Murray, from Baltimore and Lillo with 200 tons of general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—Bank Line.

Jade, French str., 386 tons, Capt. P. Maternati, from Fort Bayard, with general cargo and pigs, lying at buoy No. 66.—Shun Cheong S.S. Co.

Oosthoek, Dutch str., 3,002 tons, Capt. J. H. Gunther Mohr, from Vladivostok and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A55.—J.C.J.L.

November 3rd.

Sumatra Maru, Japanese str., 5,862 tons, Capt. J. Kawasaki, from Moji, with 6,875 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Tanaka, Chinese str., 684 tons, Capt. L. Jack, from Hongkong, with rice and coal for Swatow, lying at buoy No. C15.—Yan Woo S.S. Co.

CLEARANCES.

November 3rd.

Batavia, for Kwang Chow Wan.

Batavia, for Hoibow.

Gruber Maru, for Kobe.

Shewan, for Amoy.

Shiribon Maru, for Moji.

Shiribon Maru, for Amoy.

Sumatra Maru, for Hongkong.

Sumatra Maru, for Keelung.

Jade, for Kwang Chow Wan.

Sum Sang, for Singapore.

New Mathilda, for Haiphong.

Oosthoek, for Rotterdam.

St. Albans, for Manila.

Tanaka, for Lanchow.

Tanaka, for Hongkong.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The following notice to mariners has been issued by the Marine Department of the Maritime Customs at Shanghai under date of October 27th:—

"Notice is hereby given that the Taluto Light, approach to Yalu River, will not be exhibited during the winter when the Yalu River is closed by ice. Commencing this year, the Taluto Light will be extinguished on the 1st December."

CHINA COAST CHANGES.

The following are the latest China Coast changes:—

Mr. P. Munday, *Seidun*, has gone master of the *Armenian*.

Mr. C. Trott, has signed off as 3rd mate of the *Tungtun*, and has gone 1st mate of the *Armenian*.

Mr. J. H. Lard, *Loristun*, has gone 3rd mate of the *Armenian*.

Mr. William Young, *Philoctetes*, has gone superintending 5th engineer of the *Agar*.

Mr. A. W. Taylor has signed off as 1st mate of the *Fon Shing*.

Mr. W. Jones, has signed on as 1st mate of the *Hung Kong*, and has gone 1st mate of the *Fon Shing*.

Mr. N. Richardson, has signed off the *Fon Shing* as 2nd mate.

Mr. N. Asenith, *Fon Sang*, has gone 2nd mate of the *Fon Shing*.

Mr. A. E. McNah, has signed off as 1st mate of the *Tydgarens*, and has gone superintending 1st mate of the *Calcha*.

Mr. C. Broad, has signed off as 3rd mate of the *Tydgarens*, and has gone superintending 3rd mate of the *Calcha*.

Mr. R. Brown, Mr. C. E. Mock and Mr. H. R. T. Sumner, who had previously signed off the *Admiral* as 1st mate, 3rd mate and 5th engineer respectively, have signed on the *Tydgarens* as 1st mate, 3rd mate and 5th engineer respectively.

Mr. L. O. Lawrence has signed off as 1st engineer of the *Lingham*.

Mr. M. Doig has signed off the *Kwaiyang* as 1st engineer.

Mr. E. Kewell has signed off the *Hai-ching* as 3rd engineer.

Mr. A. Dugrill, has signed off the *Hai-ching* as superintending 3rd mate.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The N.D.L. s.s. *Saarbrücken*, from Europe, left Singapore on November 2nd, and is due to arrive here on November 7th. She will leave for Shanghai and Japan on November 8th at daylight.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Benzanne (Ben Line), due November 5th.

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SHIPPING NOTES.

The shipping statement for yesterday showed that the total number of vessels in the harbour at 9 a.m. was 76, of which 41 were British.

For the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday there were eight arrivals, of which four were British, one French, one Dutch, one Japanese and one Chinese. The departures for the same period numbered eleven; while seven vessels had papers in for clearance yesterday.

The arrivals were the s.s. *Sunning* (Br.) from Shanghai and Swatow with 615 tons of general cargo, aeroplane spirit, and mail; the s.s. *Anking* (Br.) from Singapore and Amoy with 200 tons of firewood and general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Lok Sun* (Br.) from Hoibow with 100 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *City of Glasgow* (Br.) from Baltimore and Lillo with 200 tons of general cargo; the s.s. *Jade* (French) from Fort Bayard with 300 tons of miscellaneous cargo; the s.s. *Oosthoek* (Dutch) with a cargo; the s.s. *Celebes Maru* (Japanese) from Bombay and Singapore with 331 tons of firewood, cotton yarn, coconuts and general merchandise and mail and the s.s. *Yan On* (Chinese) from Swatow and Hoibow with only a through cargo.

To-day the s.s. *President Jefferson* is due from Manila with mail and tomorrow, the R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* should arrive with mail from Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai and London via Canada (London, October 2nd). The next Home mail is due on Saturday by the s.s. *Fiume* L. This vessel will bring letters from Europe via Negapatam (dated, London, October 5th).

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, November 3rd.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.95	30.01	29.97
Temperature	77	69	78
Humidity	77	60	67
Wind Direction	E	Cal.	East
Force	3	0	3
Weather	B	B	B
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature at 2nd ... 79
Lowest open-air Temperature on 3rd ... 59

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Nov. 4th to 10th, 1925.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	4	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		10 53 a	5 0	4 43 a	4 0
Thur.	5	1 45 a	4 7	6 38 a	2 0
		11 18 a	7 2	5 29 a	2 9
Fri.	6	11 44 a	6 2	5 21 a	2 8
Satur.	7	No inferior	High	nor Low	Water
		10 16 a	6 8	9 38 a	2 6
Sun.	8	No inferior	High	nor Low	Water
		1 9 a	6 2	10 41 a	2 8
Mon.	9	7 26 a	5 0	9 38 a	2 6
Tues.	10	7 51 a	5 9	11 35 a	2 6
		7 15 a	4 4	11 19 a	4 8

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CEYLON MARU ... Middle of Nov.

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TOKUSHIMA MARU ... 13th Nov.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

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